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TO AMEMBASSY CONAKRY
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FRANKFURT FOR GAO EDER

E.O. 11652: N/A.

TAGS: AGAO, EMIN

SUBJECT: GAO REVIEW: "CONSTRAINTS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR
DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL-SCALE NON-BAUXITIC U.S. SOURCES
OF ALUMINA"

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN NOTIFIED BY GAO OF SUBJECT REVIEW
WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON AND IN SEVERAL COUN-
TRIES IN LATIN AMERICA, EUROPE, AND AFRICA. PURPOSE IS TO
REVIEW THE ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING COMMERCIAL-
SCALE PILOT PLANT TECHNOLOGY AND TO LOOK AT POSSIBLE
GOVERNMENT INVOLVEMENT IN FINANCING SUCH A FACILITY. GAO
WILL ALSO EXAMINE THE IMPLICATIONS OF, AND CONSTRAINTS ON,
SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH A PROCESS FOR THE U.S.
ECONOMY, MAJOR ALUMINUM COMPANIES, AND PRINCIPAL FOREIGN
SUPPLIERS OF BAUXITE.

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2. GAO TEAM, COMPOSED OF ARTHUR SHANTZ FROM WASHINGTON AND
AN AUDITOR TO BE NAMED BY GAO FRANKFURT, WOULD LIKE TO
VISIT CONAKRY ON OR ABOUT JUNE 8. EXACT DATES AND NAME AND
SECURITY CLEARANCE OF OTHER AUDITOR WILL BE SUBJECT OF SEP-
TEL FROM GAO FRANKFURT. DEPARTMENT CERTIFIES THAT SHANTZ
POSSESSES A CURRENT TOP SECRET SECURITY CLEARANCE.

3. GAO WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING APPOINTMENTS WITH HOST GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY OFFICIALS KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE SUBJECT.
4. SHANTZ HAS APPLIED TO GUINEAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON FOR A VISA. EMBASSY PRESUMABLY HAS REFERRED MATTER TO CONAKRY.
5. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO COOPERATE WITH THE GAO IN ACCORD-ANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES IN 4 FAM 930-934. GAO IS AWARE THAT APPOINTMENTS WITH FOREIGN OFFICIALS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE AMBASSADOR, TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY THE EMBASSY, AND AN EMBOFF TO ACCOMPANY, IF FEASIBLE. CHRISTOPHER

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